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## MINUTES OF THE JOINT HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMERCE AND TRADE AND THE SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, October 3, 2017

8:30 a.m.

Senate Hearing Room, Ground Floor, Boji Tower

The House Standing Committee on Commerce and Trade was called to order by the Chair.

Chairman Leutheuser requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Members present: Reps. Leutheuser, Garcia, Hughes, Kesto, McCready, Iden, Frederick, Hornberger, Rendon, Schor, Geiss, Camilleri and Scott.

Members absent/excused: Reps. Greimel and Byrd.

The Senate Standing Committee on Commerce was called to order by Chair Schmidt.

The following people testified before the committee:

Paul LaMaree III, representing the Port of Monroe Michigan, testified regarding Great Lakes marine transportation. Questions and discussion followed.

Paul Pathy, President and CEO of FEDNAV Limited, testified regarding the issues of maritime transportation and its importance for the state of Michigan.

Mark Pietrocarlo, Vice President of the American Steamship Company, and Joshua Juel, Manager of Great Lakes Fleet, both testified regarding the issues of maritime transportation and its importance for the State of Michigan.

Mark Barker, President of the Interlake Steamship Company, testified regarding the impact, and importance, of the maritime industry. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Schor made a motion to excuse absent members. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:34 a.m.

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